

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Application Of:

Examiner:

Stephen D. Pacetti

Erma C. Cameron

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Implantable Medical Device

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**RESPONSE TO NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

**37 CFR §1.121**

Dear Examiner Cameron:

This is a response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121) dated April 24, 2008. Claim 1 as filed 10/29/2007 had the words "wherein the tubular implantable medical device is supported on a mandrel" at the end of the claim. Those words were missing from claim 1 as filed 03/20/2008. They are now shown as being deleted.

Amendments to the claims begin at page 2.

Remarks from the 3/20/08 amendment are reproduced here and begin at page 8.